Kandahar is not going as quickly as planned

Somehow they just do not understand that we are their liberators and greet us with rose petals. Well, that is what the general said, and The Washington Post found it breaking.

News Alert: General: Kandahar operation will take longer
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The top commander in the largely stalemated Afghanistan war acknowledged Thursday that a crucial campaign to secure the region of the country where the Taliban insurgency was born will take longer than planned because local Afghans do not yet welcome the military-run operation.

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Search term: **kandahar longer OR slower** Kandahar alone produced 1500 messages, but most of them were not about the McCrystal statement. So I tried kandahar and longer and slower and slowly. The best in terms of relevant messages found, was this search term.

First search, which was only a couple of hours after breaking news was posted, yielded 369 messages.

The first day there were 542 tweets. There were 583 tweets when the search was stopped on June 15, 2010.

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